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PRODUCTION OF SPICES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a vast scope to increase the production of spices in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the assistance provided for the purpose during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): Yes, Sir. There is scope to increase the production of spices in Rajasthan specially coriander, cumin and fenugreek crops.

(b): The assistance provided for production of spices to the farmers in the State of Rajasthan under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Macro Management for agriculture during 2003-04 to 2005-06. The level of assistance was 25% of cost of inputs (minikits/demonstrations/area expansion/pest and disease management components). The year wise assistance is given as under:

Year	Assistance provided
2003-04	Rs.145.81 lacs
2004-05	Rs.187.88 lacs
2005-06	Rs.144.46 lacs

In addition, an assistance of Rs.349.79 lacs was also provided to the farmers in the State of Rajasthan at 75% cost of inputs for coriander, cumin and fenugreek crops under National Horticulture Mission during 2005-06.